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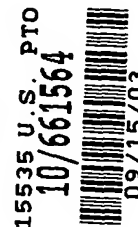
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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: ANNEALING FURNACE, MANUFACTURING APPARATUS,
ANNEALING METHOD AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF
ELECTRONIC DEVICE

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 51 pages, including 4 independent claims and 34 claims total.
2. Drawings- 20 sheets of drawings containing 33 figures (Figures 1-33).
3. Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-181731, filed June 25, 2003.

4. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 2 documents attached.
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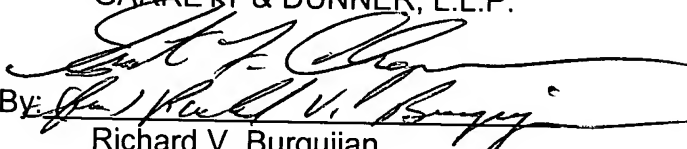
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